

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

KELSEA MERCER,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2:20-cv-3214

Judge Edmund A. Sargus, Jr.

Chief Magistrate Judge Elizabeth P. Deavers

**ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO,
et al.,**

Defendants.

ORDER

Plaintiff, Kelsea Mercer, as Administrator of the Estate of Jennifer Ohlinger, deceased, brings this civil rights action under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 alleging that Defendants' actions while the decedent was in custody at the Southeastern Ohio Regional Jail violated the Fourteenth and/or Eighth Amendments to the United States Constitution and Ohio law. This matter is before the Court for the initial screen of Plaintiff's Complaint under 28 U.S.C. § 1915A to identify cognizable claims and to recommend dismissal of Plaintiff's Complaint, or any portion of it, which is frivolous, malicious, fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, or seeks monetary relief from a defendant who is immune from such relief. Having performed the initial screen, Plaintiff may proceed on her claims against Defendants. The Court expresses no opinion as to their merits.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: June 26, 2020

/s/ Elizabeth A. Preston Deavers

ELIZABETH A. PRESTON DEAVERS

CHIEF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE